



TOWN OF DIGHTON
BOARD OF FENCE VIEWERS/FIELD DRIVERS
1111 Somerset Avenue · Dighton, MA 02715
MEETING MINUTES for April 12, 2023, 9:00 a.m.

The meeting was called to order at 9:05 a.m. by William Moore, Chairman. The meeting was held at 1111 Somerset Avenue in the Old Town Hall Building. William Moore announced that the meeting was being audio and video recorded.

Present: William Moore, Nancy Goulart, Eric Easterday
Other Town Officials Present: Assessor Stephanie Schecter
Also Present: Mr. & Mrs. David Berdos and Mr. Franz Kuchenbaur, Jr.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Old Business

Status of Berdos and Kuchenbaur

Mr. Kuchenbaur left the previous meeting having concerns about both surveyors using the southernly line which came 30 years after the northernly line on the property. He was just looking for clarification on how the surveyors measured and which line was used. He reached out to two new surveyors to come to his property but he was not successful. He contacted Outback Engineering, who had surveyed his property, and asked them to stake out and mark the driveway boundaries as soon as possible. They confirmed April 19 at 9:00 a.m. to visit the property. Mr. Kuchenbaur had also contacted the fence company and they are still on schedule to move the fence at the end of April.

William Moore said he would entertain a motion that as long as the surveyors agreed on the points, then the fence would be moved. If they did not agree, then the fence will not be moved and we will reschedule this item for our next meeting.

It was moved by Nancy Goulart, seconded by Eric Easterday and VOTED UNANIMOUSLY that the Board of Fence Viewers accept the information that was in agreement from the two independent surveyors; that Mr. Kuchenbaur will have his property staked by Outback Engineering on 4/19; and the fence will be moved by the end of April if both parties are in agreement. The parties may return to the board of fence viewers if they do not reach an agreement.

Mr. & Mrs. Berdos and Mr. Kuchenbaur left the meeting at approximately 9:25 a.m.

Status of McKeon and Kane

It was moved by Nancy Goulart, seconded by Eric Easterday, and VOTED UNANIMOUSLY to discuss agenda items 4B and 7A at the same time because they are related.

The board received communication from Mr. David Tibbetts on 4/1/23 that was read by William Moore. Mr. Tibbetts observed measurements made on boundary lines and questioned the fence viewers authority by defining what is considered a fence. He felt that the boundary dispute should not involve arbitration by the Board of Fence Viewers.

The Kane property is in a trust and Mr. Tibbetts has no legal standing because he is not the trustee. Mrs. Quirk, who is a daughter of the Kanes, is the trustee. The board mediated the dispute between the Kanes and McKeons. It was mutually agreed that the cost to repair the wall in its established location would be shared equally by both parties. Work is expected to take place in May.

Public Input:

Nancy Goulart reported that she was contacted by a solar company that is interested in building a battery storage facility in town. She referred them to the Planning Board.

Correspondence: NONE

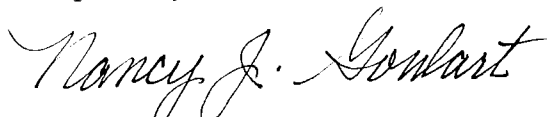
Review and Approve Minutes: NONE

Unanticipated Items: NONE

Adjournment

It was moved by Nancy Goulart, seconded by Eric Easterday, and VOTED UNANIMOUSLY to adjourn the meeting at 9:35 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Nancy J. Goulart, Clerk

Documents:

Fence viewer documents, plot plans/survey, email from David Tibbetts